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Chief Executive Officer

December 16, 2008

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION: ADOPT A RESOLUTION
ASSIGNING TO THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA THE COUNTY'S RIGHT TO APPLY
FOR SPECIFIED FUNDS, ALLOCATED TO THE COUNTY UNDER THE SAFE
NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS PROPOSITION OF 1992 AND AVAILABLE TO THE
FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT, TO COMPLETE THE ACQUISITION OF
PROPERTY ADJACENT TO THE PLACERITA CANYON NATURAL AREA
(FIFTH DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Approval of the recommended action will allow the City of Santa Clarita to apply for \$250,000 of 1992 Proposition Specified Funds available to the Fifth Supervisorial District from the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District. This action will enable the City of Santa Clarita to acquire property adjacent to the Placerita Canyon Natural Area.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find the proposed action categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons cited herein.
2. Adopt the resolution assigning to the City of Santa Clarita the County's right to apply for \$250,000 of Specified Funds allocated to the County of Los Angeles under the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1992 and available to the Fifth Supervisorial District.

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PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended action will allow the City of Santa Clarita to apply for \$250,000 of 1992 Proposition Specified Funds available to the Fifth Supervisorial District from the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District. This action will enable the City of Santa Clarita to acquire the property adjacent to the Placerita Canyon Natural Area.

The City of Santa Clarita will acquire parcel numbers 2848-011-010 and 2848-012-085, which are over 140 acres and will be preserved as open space. The acquisition cost is \$2,500,000.

In a related action on today's agenda, the District is recommending that the Director of Parks and Recreation award a grant to the City of Santa Clarita to complete the escrow for the acquisition of this property.

Implementation of Strategic Goals

The proposed recommendations support County Strategic Plan Goal of Community Services (Goal 6) by improving the service and quality of life for residents of Los Angeles County through the preservation of open space land.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no fiscal impact to the Department of Parks and Recreation (Department). Sufficient funds are appropriated in the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District's Project Funds.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The 1992 Proposition provided funding for projects that were specified in the measure and identified a procedure for revision of those projects prior to July 1, 1998. That procedure remains the method by which specified project funds may be approved by your Board for other uses. An agency may submit a revised plan of expenditure to use the funds for a project that is consistent with the purposes of the 1992 Proposition after the grantee's governing body considers and approves the revision of its project at a public meeting.

If your Board does not approve the Department's request to assign the \$250,000 in the 1992 Proposition Specified Funds to the City for the completion of escrow, the Department may either expend the funds for the uses originally specified, request your Board's approval to fund different new projects with the funds, or relinquish its claim to the funds.

County Counsel has reviewed this action and the Resolution as to form.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The proposed project is categorically exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) according to Sections 15316 and 15325 of the State CEQA Guidelines and Classes 16 and 25 of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, because the proposed project provides for the transfer of ownership of land in order to create parks and preserve open space, habitat or historical resources.

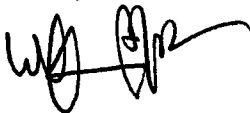
IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There is no impact on current services or projects as a result of this action.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Projects Division, and one to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Respectfully submitted,



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Chief Executive Officer

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Attachment

c: County Counsel
Department of Parks and Recreation

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

**APPROVING ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHT TO APPLY TO THE CITY OF
SANTA CLARITA SPECIFIED FUNDS ALLOCATED TO THE COUNTY UNDER THE
SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS PROPOSITION OF 1992**

WHEREAS, the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1992 allocated funding to the County of Los Angeles, Department of Parks and Recreation, to provide funding for the acquisition and development of parks and recreational areas owned or operated by the County of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles, Department of Parks and Recreation, may assign its right to apply for these funds to other agencies to implement the intent of the Propositions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Clarita is requesting \$250,000 of County Specified Funds to complete the acquisition of parcel numbers 2848-011-010 and 2848-012-085, adjacent to the Placerita Canyon Natural Area; and

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles, Department of Parks and Recreation, has determined that it is in the County's best interest to assign its right to apply for these funds to the City of Santa Clarita; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Clarita will submit an application to the Regional Park and Open Space District to obtain a grant for the above-referenced project, and will be required to provide assurances to the Los Angeles County, Regional Park and Open Space District that the funds will be expended in accordance with the intent of the Propositions and the procedural guidelines adopted by your Board, acting as Board of the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Los Angeles, Board of Supervisors hereby adopts this Resolution assigning to the City of Santa Clarita the County's right to apply for \$250,000 of County Specified Funds from the Regional Park and Open Space District under the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992.

The foregoing resolution was adopted on the 16TH day of DECEMBER, 2008, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies, and authorities for which said Board so acts.

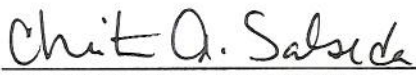


SACHI A. HAMAI, Executive Officer-
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
of the County of Los Angeles

By 
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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